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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HUTTON, ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/769,679

Filed: 01/25/2001

Title: "APPARATUS FOR SECURE STORAGE OF
VEHICLE ODOMETER VALUES AND
METHOD THEREFOR"

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 TO
NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED SEPTEMBER 25, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action, mailed September 25, 2003,
Applicants respectfully request that the amendments set forth below be entered and request
reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of these amendments and
the remarks below.

This Response is made according to the revised procedure promulgated in the Official Gazette on February 25, 2003.

As the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is due December 25, 2003, this Response is therefore considered timely filed.

"Claim Amendments", if any, begin on page 3 of this Response.

"Remarks" begins on page 9 of this Response.



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INCLUDED IN THIS MAILING FOR THE ABOVE-REFERENCED PATENT APPLICATION ARE:

1. RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED 09/25/2003;
2. RETURN POSTCARD TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ABOVE ITEMS.

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